

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1003**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Nava**

February 22, 2005

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An act to amend Section 375 of the Water Code, relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1003, as introduced, Nava. Public water suppliers: water conservation program.

Existing law authorizes a public water supplier to adopt a water conservation program, and, as a part of that program, to require the installation of water-saving devices for water delivered for nonagricultural uses.

This bill, for the purposes of those provisions, would specify that “water-saving devices” include plumbing fixtures and appliances.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 375 of the Water Code is amended to  
2     read:  
3     375. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, any  
4     public entity which supplies water at retail or wholesale for the  
5     benefit of persons within the service area or area of jurisdiction  
6     of the public entity may, by ordinance or resolution adopted by a  
7     majority of the members of the governing body after holding a  
8     public hearing upon notice and making appropriate findings of  
9     necessity for the adoption of a water conservation program, adopt  
10    and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity

1 of water used by those persons for the purpose of conserving the  
2 water supplies of the public entity.

3 (b) With regard to water delivered for other than agricultural  
4 uses, the ordinance or resolution may specifically require the  
5 installation of water-saving devices—~~which~~, *including, but not*  
6 *limited to, plumbing fixtures and appliances, that* are designed to  
7 reduce water consumption. The ordinance or resolution may also  
8 encourage water conservation through rate structure design.

9 (c) For the purposes of this section, “public entity” means a  
10 city, whether general law or chartered, county, city and county,  
11 special district, agency, authority, any other municipal public  
12 corporation or district, or any other political subdivision of the  
13 state.